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Dear General Zinni:

From all the reports I have received, this year's Joint Civilian Orientation Conference (JCOC) was a tremendous success. This was due in no small part to the Marine Corps program at Camp Pendleton. Furthermore, the command emphasis you placed on hosting the JCOC was evident to all. Major General Frank Libutti superbly hosted the group, and each of the JCOC 59 members noted and appreciated his personal and enthusiastic participation.

As the group moved from Washington to the various Service sites, they participated in hands-on demonstrations of military readiness that cannot be experienced or understood simply by reading books or newspaper accounts. The Marine Corps visit as the last stop on an action-packed itinerary allowed the program to finish on a high note.

You have my deep appreciation for presenting such an outstanding presentation for the JCOC. Please pass along to General Libutti and the Marines of I MEF who worked so hard in support of the JCOC, my heartiest congratulations for a job well done, and my personal appreciation for their efforts.

Sincerely,

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